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BEYOND THE BENCH XIV RIDING THE WAVES OF CHANGE

PASADENA CONVENTION CENTER

DECEMBER 4 - 6, 2002

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PLENARY ➤ **HONORABLE RONALD M. GEORGE, CHIEF JUSTICE OF CALIFORNIA**

SPEAKERS: ➤ **HONORABLE DION ARONER, CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY**
➤ **RITA SAENZ, DIRECTOR, CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**
➤ **BRUCE PERRY, M.D., PH.D., SENIOR FELLOW, CHILD TRAUMA ACADEMY**
➤ **THOMAS MORTON, MSW, PRESIDENT AND CEO, CHILD WELFARE INSTITUTE**
➤ **JOHN MYERS, PROFESSOR, UNIVERSITY OF THE PACIFIC, McGEORGE SCHOOL OF LAW**
➤ **KAREN GRACE-KAHO, CALIFORNIA FOSTER CARE OMBUDSMAN**
➤ **JENNIFER RODRIGUEZ, POLICY COORDINATOR, CALIFORNIA YOUTH CONNECTION**

HIGHLIGHTED • **THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CONTEXT OF CHILD WELFARE POLICY**

TOPICS: • **CHILD WELFARE REFORM IN CALIFORNIA – THE CDSS STAKEHOLDERS AND FEDERAL AND STATE REVIEWS**
• **FOSTER YOUTH POLICY/FOSTER YOUTH RIGHTS**
• **A HISTORY OF CHILD PROTECTION IN AMERICA**

WORKSHOPS: OVER 25 WORKSHOPS TAUGHT BY AN OUTSTANDING STATE AND NATIONAL FACULTY. CONFIRMED TOPICS (TITLES SUBJECT TO CHANGE) INCLUDE:

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| ✧ ENFORCING THE RIGHTS OF FOSTER CHILDREN | ✧ IN RE NICHOLAS H.: PATERNITY, DEPENDENCY AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE |
| ✧ MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACHES TO MEETING THE EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF YOUTH | ✧ HONORING THE CHILD: MAINTAINING CONNECTIONS FOR PUBLIC AGENCY CHILDREN |
| ✧ POST-ADOPTION SERVICES: WHAT ARE THEY? HOW DO YOU ACCESS THEM? | ✧ CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES IN CHILD WELFARE |
| ✧ AUTOMATED CASE MANAGEMENT AND DATA COLLECTION IN JUVENILE DEPENDENCY COURT | ✧ NEW RULES, FORMS, STATUTES & CASES |
| ✧ IMMIGRATION ISSUES IN FAMILY AND JUVENILE COURT | ✧ NUTS AND BOLTS EDUCATIONAL ISSUES FOR FOSTER CHILDREN |
| ✧ DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT | ✧ POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND PRACTICES AFFECTING THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN RESIDING IN GROUP HOMES |
| ✧ CHILD WELFARE SERVICES AND THE COURTS | ✧ ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION TECHNIQUES IN DEPENDENCY CASES: HOW AND WHEN TO USE FAMILY GROUP CONFERENCES AND DEPENDENCY MEDIATION |
| ✧ THE POLITICAL AND HISTORICAL CONTEXT OF THE INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT | ✧ PERMANENT HOMES FOR ADOLESCENTS – IMPOSSIBLE, RIGHT? WRONG |
| ✧ WORKING SUCCESSFULLY WITH THE INTERSTATE COMPACT ON THE PLACEMENT OF CHILDREN | ✧ DEPENDENCY DRUG COURTS: A ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION |
| ✧ GETTING AGENCY SERVICES: FROM REQUEST TO JOINDER | ✧ CRAFTING GOOD CUSTODY AND VISITATION ORDERS |
| ✧ RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN EVIDENCE IN CHILD AND FAMILY CASES | |
| ✧ PROTOCOLS FOR CASES THAT CROSS OVER BETWEEN FAMILY AND JUVENILE COURTS | |

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(ADDITIONAL FEES REQUIRED – SEE REGISTRATION FOR DETAILS)

❖ SPECIAL IN-DEPTH SYMPOSIA

I. FAMILY VIOLENCE ISSUES:

THIS WORKSHOP IS OPEN TO ALL INTERESTED ATTENDEES AND WILL FULFILL THE ANNUAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TRAINING UPDATE REQUIREMENTS OF CALIFORNIA RULES OF COURT, RULE 1257.7 FOR COURT APPOINTED MEDIATORS AND EVALUATORS. THIS SYMPOSIUM, AND THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WORKSHOP TRACK SESSIONS, MUST BE SELECTED TO FULFILL THE 12-HOUR INSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS OF RULE 1257.2 AND RULE 1257.7 DURING THIS CONFERENCE.

II. “THE REAL BEYOND THE BENCH” – ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS ON COURT/AGENCY RELATIONS:

FOLLOWING UP LAST YEAR’S STIMULATING DISCUSSION ON COURT-AGENCY RELATIONS IN CHILD WELFARE CASES, THIS IS AN IN-DEPTH SESSION PRIMARILY FOR JUDICIAL OFFICERS AND CHILD WELFARE STAFF. THIS SYMPOSIUM WILL INCLUDE A PRESENTATION ON THE RESULTS OF A STUDY OF COURT AND CHILD WELFARE AGENCY RELATIONS RECENTLY COMPLETED BY THE BAY AREA SOCIAL SERVICES CONSORTIUM AT UC BERKELEY.

III. LANGUAGE AND COMPETENCY ISSUES IN QUESTIONING CHILDREN:

IN THE EYES OF THE LAW, CHILDREN HAVE TRADITIONALLY BEEN SUSPECT AS A SOURCE OF COMPETENT INFORMATION. BUT A STUDY OF THE QUESTIONS THEY ARE ASKED, AND THE COGNITIVE TASKS THEY ARE EXPECTED TO PERFORM, DEMONSTRATES SUCH SUSPICION TO BE ILL-FOUNDED. IN THIS ALL-DAY WORKSHOP, WE WILL USE DISCUSSION, OBSERVATION, AND HANDS-ON PRACTICE TO EXPLORE THE LANGUAGE AND COMPETENCY ISSUES THAT HAVE LED TO SUCH SUSPICION, AND LEARN WAYS TO DISARM IT. TAUGHT BY ONE OF LAST YEAR’S MOST POPULAR SPEAKERS, FORENSIC LINGUIST ANNE GRAFFAM WALKER.

IV. BASIC DEPENDENCY LAW FOR ATTORNEYS:

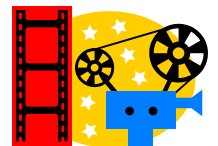
THIS SESSION IS ESPECIALLY APPROPRIATE FOR NEW PRACTITIONERS IN DEPENDENCY CASES AND IS DESIGNED TO FULFILL THE INITIAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS OF CALIFORNIA RULES OF COURT, RULE 1438 (NOTE: CHECK WITH YOUR LOCAL COURT TO DETERMINE SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR YOUR JURISDICTION). IN ADDITION TO AN OVERVIEW OF DEPENDENCY LAW AND PROCEDURE, SESSION TOPICS WILL INCLUDE CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADDICTION AND TREATMENT. FULFILLMENT OF THE MINIMUM 8 HOUR TRAINING MANDATE UNDER RULE 1438 ADDITIONALLY REQUIRES REGISTRATION AND ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENING FILM AND PANEL DISCUSSION OF “IF I COULD” ON WEDNESDAY EVENING OR FULL REGISTRATION FOR THE MAIN CONFERENCE, OR BOTH.

❖ WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4TH – A VERY SPECIAL EVENING: A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES



DINNER AND SHOWING OF A POWERFUL FEATURE DOCUMENTARY FILM, “IF I COULD,” NARRATED BY SALLY FIELD. THE FILM WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A PANEL AND AUDIENCE DISCUSSION FEATURING THE FILMMAKERS AND DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE CHILD WELFARE, LEGAL, AND MENTAL HEALTH COMMUNITIES.

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EDUCATIONAL CREDITS:

- MANDATORY CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION CREDIT (MCLE)
- BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES CREDIT (BBS)
- MANDATORY 12 HOURS OF INSTRUCTION IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE UNDER RULES 1257.2 AND 1257.7
TO RECEIVE THIS CREDIT YOU MUST ATTEND THE DV SYMPOSIUM, AND THE MAIN CONFERENCE DV TRACK WORKSHOPS.
- 4 HOUR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE UPDATE UNDER RULE 1257.2 OR 1257.7
TO RECEIVE THIS CREDIT YOU MUST ATTEND THE DV SYMPOSIUM.
- 8 HOURS OF INITIAL DEPENDENCY TRAINING UNDER RULE 1438.
TO RECEIVE THIS CREDIT YOU MUST ATTEND THE DEPENDENCY SYMPOSIUM, AND EITHER THE MOVIE OR THE MAIN CONFERENCE, OR BOTH.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE CONFERENCE!